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Application No.: 10/600,298
 Filing Date: June 20, 2003
 First Named Inventor Julian N. Nikolchev, et al.
 Examiner's Name: Michael A. Brown
 Art Unit: 3772
 Attorney Docket No.: 006701.P002XC4

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Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

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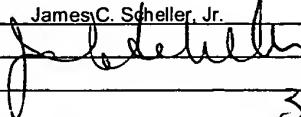
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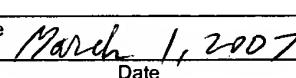
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1005	200	Provisional application filing fee	
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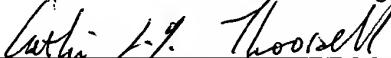
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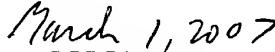
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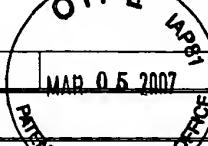
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